

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Previously Presented) A post for use in leading an electrical current signal,
comprising:

a hollow tube constructed of at least two layers including an inner layer and an outer layer, said
layers surrounding a hollow core, and

at least one conductive lead having two ends and being adapted to be connected at said ends to
electrically operated devices, said lead being integrally formed with and connected to the tube.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Currently Amended) A post according to Claim 1, characterized in that at least one lead
ends ~~[[us]]~~ are connected to one or more connectors, at least in a lower section of the post.

4. (Cancelled)

5. (Previously Presented) A post according to Claim 1, characterized in that the lead is
located in an interface between the inner layer and the outer layer of the post.

6. (Cancelled)

7. (New) A post according to Claim 1 characterized in that the lead is a wiring harness having a plurality of conductive leads.

8. (New) A post according to Claim 1 characterized in that the lead is disposed within a layer.

9. (New) A post for use in leading an electrical current signal, comprising:

(a) a hollow tube having a predetermined length and being constructed of at least two layers including an inner layer and an outer layer, said layers surrounding a hollow core, at least one said layer being formed of a flexible material;

(b) at least one conductive lead having two ends, said lead being integrally formed with and connected to the tube within or between said layers along a substantial portion of its length; and

(c) a connector at said ends of said lead for connected to electrically operated devices.